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Introduction

Have you smelled the perfume of new-cut hay lately? Or relished a marvellous home-cooked meal, with an appetite inspired by the outdoors? Have you walked a country mile, or felt the warm velvet nose of a nuzzling horse looking for a treat?

Has it been a long time — or is it a completely new experience for you?

Whether you are city-born or country-bred, you and your children can have all the pleasures of country living on an Ontario Vacation Farm.

You can give your children the experience of making friends with farm animals and pets. You can give them a holiday in an atmosphere of stability, for many of the Vacation Farm homes have grown from original homesteads. Grandmother and grandfather are often part of the picture — and they are very good at telling interesting stories.

Picnics and hikes in the fragrant woods, hunting and fishing, learning something of the lore of nature, overnight campouts for children, country auctions, and the pleasurable quiet of the beautiful Ontario countryside — all are there waiting for you when you choose an Ontario Vacation farm holiday.

Summer, fall or winter — there's no closed season on good times in the country. Many farms will welcome you any time of the year . . . for a weekend or a full scale vacation.

How do I get more information on Vacation Farms?

Write, telephone or visit any of the hosts listed on these pages to learn more about the seasonable activities, facilities and accommodation each offers. In most cases individual brochures are mailed on request.

Vacation information, reservations and detailed arrangements can only be made directly with the host of your choice. A minimum non-refundable deposit of 10% is payable when you make your reservation for a relaxing farm holiday.

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Vacation Codes:

- A** Adults only (no children) are welcome here as guests
- AC** Adults with Children (or adults alone) are welcome
- C*** Children not accompanied by adults are welcome here
- B & B** plan available at most farms

Room Codes

DBL Double

LG Large

SGL Single

*Check-in and check-out times will vary from host to host.
Preparation time is required between guests.

Do's & Dont's

For the farm vacationers

- DO** take along some old clothes, and lots of extra shoes.
- DO** plan some sightseeing of the countryside.
- DO** instruct your children to wipe feet before coming in the house.
- DO** try to fit in with your host's house rules.
- DO** tuck in a supply of books and games as well as clothes for rainy weather.
- DO** make your vacation arrangements directly with the farm of your choice. You might like to visit the farms ahead of time.
- DO** make reservations as early as possible.
- DO** pay on arrival. You and your farm host family will find it easier to do business while you are still strangers.
- DO** remember your hosts are busy people. Help them by keeping property free of litter.

- DON'T** take a pet unless you first ask. City and farm animals don't always get along.
- DON'T** keep the farm folks up too late.
- DON'T** take your children to a farm if you can't control them.
- DON'T** forget your camera. There'll be plenty of "firsts" to record for posterity.
- DON'T** smoke in the barn or other "farm" buildings.

1 FARM AND CAMPS OF NEVEROWN

NW of Fort Frances 30 Miles/N of Emo 8 Miles

A ACC*2 Cabins — \$110 weekly, \$20 daily

An 1100 acre farm that provides plenty of opportunity to enjoy a rural vacation. Primarily a cow-calf operation. Wooded areas provide ample opportunity for quiet walks and nature interpretation. Numerous lakes are found within 10-15 miles where swimming, picnicking, fishing and outdoor activities can be enjoyed. Children at home include 3 boys, ages 5, 6 and 13 and 1 girl age 15. For those who desire a more rugged fishing vacation, why not fly to our northern fishing outpost camp, where one can try one's luck on excellent fishing. Canoe trips can also be arranged on the Keeper and Berens River systems. Accommodation can be provided in a comfortable housekeeping cabin.

Please Contact:

FRANK and INGEBORG SZEDER

R.R. No. 2, EMO, Ontario

P0W 1E0 Tel. 807-482-2628

2 LONG LAKE FARM

W of Cochrane 20 Miles/N of Hunta 5 Miles

A AC/4 DBL A\$100 C\$80

Come to the North Country and enjoy northern hospitality with us, on our 138 acre farm. We have sheep, ponies, dogs, cats and rabbits. Our farm is located on Long Lake which offers good fishing and boating. A mile away is Green Water Provincial Park 13,000 acres and 26 lakes and offers swimming and nature trails. Ride the famous Polar Bear Express from Cochrane — Moosoonee, other tours include pulp and paper mills, plywood plant, sawmill and gold mines. For the sportsman, fishing, moose and bear hunting. We have 2 children, girl 5 and boy 7. Enjoy Pennsylvania Dutch cooking.

Please Contact:

LARRY and JUDY LANDIS

HUNTA, Ontario

P0L 1P0 Tel. 705-272-6302

3 LAKE-FOREST FARM

E of Sault Ste Marie 40 Miles/W of Bruce Mines 2½ Miles

A AC/2 DBL A\$135 C\$55

Carefree days and quiet cool evenings await you at Lake- Forest farm on the north shore of Lake Huron. 200 acres of beautiful areas for picnics, swimming, fishing, boating and bird watching. Good home cooked meals featuring fresh products from our organic garden — bread and baking from farm produce and ground grain a specialty! Bring your snowmobile, skis and skates for winter sports, and ambitious guests may join Bob as he checks his traplines. Many area activities, including auctions, provide ample variety. Abstaining Christian family. Senior citizens most welcome and babysitter available if required for families.

Please Contact:

BOB and FLORENCE THOMPSON

R.R. No. 1, BRUCE MINES, Ontario

P0R 1C0 Tel. 705-785-3510

4 POND-R-OJA

*E of Sault Ste Marie 40 Miles/W of Bruce Mines 2 Miles
A AC/3 DBL A\$135 C\$85*

Our modern farmhouse and 90 acres offer a comfortable homebase for your relaxing vacation in beautiful Algoma district. "Puddingstone" (jasper conglomerate) and the remains of Canada's first copper mine make this locale especially intriguing for rockhounding activities. Whatever your pleasure — swimming, fishing, exploring our nature trails, or just enjoying the peaceful surroundings of the pond and picnic areas — casual, friendly hospitality, with family style home cooked meals and baking, awaits you at Pond-R-Oja. Our rabbits and goat herd provide the opportunity to experience farm animal routine. Children, aged 5-14-15-16, join in our invitation — come North this year, you're most welcome.

Please Contact:

ALVIN and CARYL OJA

Boundary Road, R.R. No. 1

BRUCE MINES, Ontario

P0R 1C0 Tel. 705-785-3521

5 MANITOULIN LAKE VIEW FARM

SW of Sudbury 100 miles/SW of Mindemoya 3 Miles

B & B only

1200 acre mixed farm on Manitoulin Isle. On the west shore of Lake Mindemoya — beautiful sunsets. Safe swimming and boating. Fresh vegetables and meat, home baking. Picnics packed for hikes and sightseeing bus tours available. Try our Bed and Breakfast plan for days on your own to explore the sand banks of Lake Huron. Wild berries — hunting in season. Horse and pony rides. T.V., organ, stereo-music enjoyed. Recreation room.

Please Contact:

HAROLD and SALLY WILLIAMSON

MINDEMOYA, Manitoulin Island, Ontario

P0P 1S0 Tel. 705-377-5714

6 MEADOWSIDE FARM

SW of Ottawa 35 Miles/NW of Carleton Place 3 Miles

A AC C/4 DBL A\$100 C\$60*

190 acres of mixed farm, large comfortable brick house, with screened porch, rec room, shady lawn and 2 bathrooms. Good home cooked meals from fresh farm produce. A working maple sugar bush. Have cows, calves, pigs, 2 ponies, chickens, dogs and cats. Swimming pool, swings, piano, T.V., cribs and cot. Two sons and their wives, 3 girls 10, 8 and 5 and a boy age 8 live on the farm. Three miles to golf, boating, fishing, etc. Visit Ottawa with its many attractions. Use host's washer and dryer. More information on request. Abstaining family. Family rates.

Please Contact:

ALAN and BETTY THOMPSON

R.R. No. 3, CARLETON PLACE, Ontario

K7C 3P1 Tel. 613-256-2007

7 LANDFALL FARM

NE of Toronto 50 Miles/E of Port Perry 5 Miles

A AC May-October/4 DBL Sat. to Sat. \$195, Daily \$30

A relaxing, quiet retreat from city life, where you can do nothing or as much as you like. This 157 acre crop farm boasts a handsome fieldstone home built in 1868. The farm house has been restored and renovated to blend modern luxuries and conveniences with a flavour of the past and contains an Antique Shop in "The Front Room". A custom-built swimming pool and cabana are located in a separate setting. House and pool are surrounded by several acres of lawns. Our natural pool provides another setting for peaceful isolation.

Swimming, walking, bicycling, badminton, croquet, table tennis, billiards and exercise equipment are available at Landfall. Tennis, golf, trail riding, fishing and boating nearby. Home cooking and baking are featured.

Please Contact:

MERLE HEINTZMAN

R.R. No. 1, BLACKSTOCK, Ontario

L0B 1B0 Tel. 416-986-5588

8 CEDAR LAKE FARM

W of Toronto 40 Miles/N of Acton 6 Miles

A AC/3 DBL A\$130 C\$90

We invite you to vacation on our 100 acres of scenic, rolling hills and woods, where artists, photographers and hikers love to roam. A shady lawn overlooks a 3 acre lake with a row boat. Excellent meals of home baking, vegetables and fruit from organic garden. Quiet, restful nights on good beds. Have beef, cows and calves, dog and cats. Grow grain and hay. Short driving distance to usual rural activities — swimming, golf, farm sales, antiques, churches. Hospitable abstaining couple have hosted many nationalities for 11 years. Prefer small groups of 6 or less. Advise early booking. Will meet buses.

Please Contact:

FRANK and LUCINDA FREEMAN

R.R. No. 2 ACTON, Ontario

L7J 2L8 Tel. 519-853-1848

9 BAUMDALE HEREFORD FARM

W of Toronto 40 Miles/N of Guelph 18 Miles

C \$125 Sunday to Friday (Age 5-11)*

Baumdale farm invites your children to join us this summer. Experience country life at its fullest on our 94 acre beef breeding farm with ponds, small creek and bushland. Our pets and a variety of small animals will provide much enjoyment. Go on nature hikes, or explore the hayloft and countryside with our son. He really looks forward to hayrides, picnics and barbecues. Other activities include crafts, swimming and sports. We use homegrown meat and vegetables. Meals are served family style in our large farm kitchen. Our sons, age 4 and 15, would like to meet new friends.

Please Contact:

NORBERT and LINDA BAUMGARTNER

R.R. No. 5, BELWOOD, Ontario

N0B 1J0 Tel. 519-855-6320

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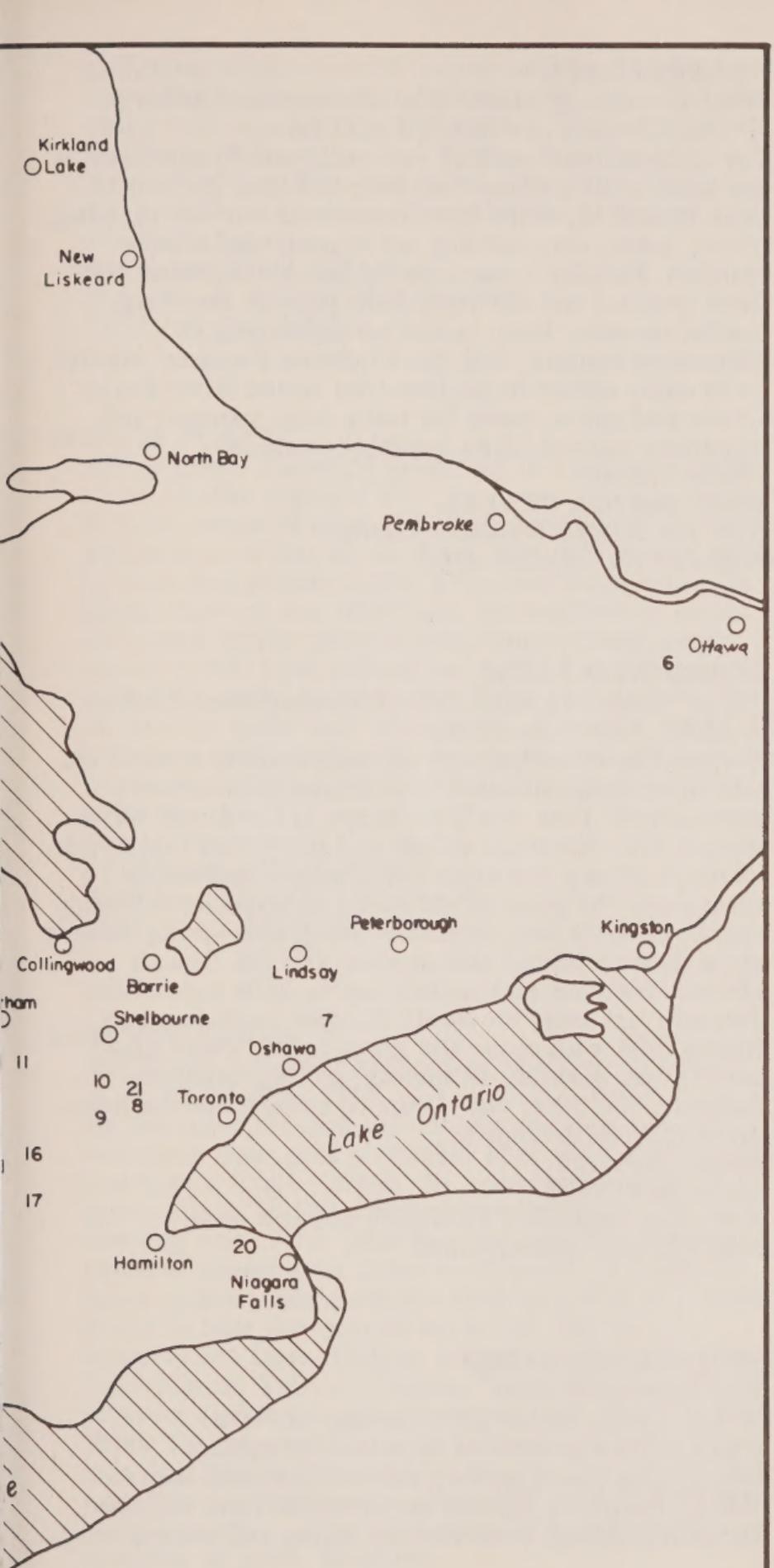
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ONTARIO 1980 VACATION FARMS

10 PULLES PLACE

W of Toronto 55 Miles/W of Orangeville 9 Miles

C \$125 Sunday to Friday (C 6-11 years)*

For children between 6-11 years old, our 75 acre farm is the ideal holiday place. Our four children, girls 10-14, boys 11 and 12, enjoy new friends and our horses, cows, calves, goats, cats and dog are friendly and used to children. Healthy home cooking and baking from fresh farm produce and dairy products provide the energy needed to swim, hike, canoe, go sightseeing in Mennonite country, visit the Kitchener Farmers' Market, or to enjoy nature in the beautiful Grand River Parks. Crafts and games ready for rainy days, patience and experience with children available every day.

Please Contact:

BERT and RIA PULLES

R.R. No. 4, BELWOOD, Ontario

N0B 1J0 Tel. 519-843-4417

11 GOLDFINCH FARM

NE of Guelph 45 Miles/NE of Mount Forest 7 Miles

A 2DBL 1 Cottage A \$100

Do you like to photograph or paint country scenes? Do you enjoy delicious country food and quiet country atmosphere? Then you'll be happy at Goldfinch Farm. Named after the small yellow and black bird that makes its home among our grain fields, maple and beach forests and the pond in the valley. (Forty-four different species of birds were listed last year). Our spring flowers are a sight to behold and summer and fall flowers abound. Sunrises and sunsets can be quite spectacular. Five minutes away the South Saugeen meanders past forests dark with cedar and green fields, where quiet cattle graze. Fishing, swimming, golfing, auctions, festivals. Will meet bus. Tours of countryside for non-drivers can be arranged.

Please Contact:

ELAINE FINCH

R.R. No. 2 MOUNT FOREST, Ontario

N0G 2L0 Tel. 519-323-2640

12 SPRINGLANE ACRES

S of Meaford 7 Miles

A AC/4 DBL A\$100 C\$75 Sunday to Friday

Come share 600 acres of breathtaking scenery overlooking Georgian Bay and the beautiful Beaver Valley. Activities you can enjoy on the farm include: horseback riding, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing,

gathering maple sap with horses and sleigh, milking cows, tending the sheep, chickens, pigs, etc., hay rides, sleigh rides and hiking on the Bruce Trail. Attractions nearby include: swimming, fishing, boating, golf, downhill skiing, Blue Mountain Slide Ride, Collingwood Caves, and many more. Open October 1 to May 31.

Please Contact:

RICK and TINA GRAY

R.R. No. 4, MEAFORD, Ontario

N0H 1Y0 Tel. 519-538-1948

13 PITTS PLACE

SW of Owen Sound 25 Miles/NE of Chesley 3 Miles

A AC/2 DBL A\$110 C\$75

A quiet, peaceful relaxing atmosphere awaits you when you plan a holiday at our farm. You can choose to stay in your own private cabin, a few feet away from the sandy shore of our small lake, or stay with us in our big old home. Either plan includes home cooked meals, served family style around our table. Leisure time can be delightful, when swimming or fishing in our lake, hiking or relaxing under our willow trees. Ours is a mixed 170 acre farm with cattle, pigs and crops, and of course you can participate in farm activities. Handicapped people welcome.

Please Contact:

LESLIE and JEAN PITT

R.R. No. 3 CHESLEY, Ontario

N0G 1L0 Tel. 519-363-5212

14 BENRY FARMS

S of Owen Sound 45 Miles/S of Hanover 9 Miles

A AC/Apartment \$150

As you drive through the countryside have you ever wondered what goes on behind farm gates? Well, come and have a look! 1200 sq. ft. apartment (including games room) in 19th century farm home on 250 acre working dairy farm gives you opportunity to enjoy peaceful countryside. Observe 40 purebred holsteins being milked, maybe see the birth of a new calf, enjoy calves in huts just beyond the house. Nearby — conservation farm, fishing, horse races, golf, beaches on Lake Huron, Telstat, Douglas Point, excellent dining facilities. Take this opportunity to visit the entire Grey-Bruce Tourist area. Drive to Tobermory for a day — ride the Chi-Cheemaun to Manitoulin Island and back. 1 hour drive to Kitchener — Farmers' Market, Oktoberfest and Stratford — Shakespearean Festival. Bicycles available at farm. Brochure.

Please Contact:

HARRY and RUTH BENDER

R.R. No. 3, MILDMAY, Ontario

N0G 2J0 Tel. 519-799-5346

15 BRUCELAND FARM

N of London 85 miles/N of Lucknow 5 Miles

A AC/2 DBL A\$24 Daily, C\$13 Daily

The Bruce beckons — and our family beckons you to visit Bruceland farm anytime of the year for overnight or several days. A picturesque Alpine house overlooking our small lake provides superior accommodation and delights our guests. Country style meals prepared with pride and imagination features Brucelands own beef and many old German recipes. Guests swim, paddleboat, sail and catch their own breakfast trout on the lake — or watch modern cropping practices and the care and feeding of 500 steers in the feedlot. Our son 13, lifeguards and trail guides. This Huron region is alive with festivals, farm auctions and scenic trails. Meet buses. Information brochure.

Please Contact:

LLOYD and HELEN ACKERT

HOLYROOD, Ontario

N0G 2B0 Tel. 519-395-2826

16 ROEWOOD FARM

NW of Kitchener 15 miles/E of Linwood 1 Mile

A AC/3 DBL 1 LG/A\$135 C\$80

Let us welcome you to our dairy farm in the horse and buggy area of Waterloo County, where a genuine Canadian and Innsbruck Austrian hospitality and happy atmosphere awaits you. Enjoy our comfortable 97 year old farm house with good beds and an old woodshed bell calling you for the best in home cooking, baking, bread and preserves. Also lawn games, hayrides, hay loft fun, "Why! — even a horse and buggy ride!" Meet our holstein cows, calves, horses, pigs and a mother dog — all friendly. Near Kitchener, Stratford, Lake Conestoga with swimming and fishing, Chicopee ski slopes, cross country skiing. Write for our personal brochure. Our 10 year old son likes to meet friends.

Please Contact:

JIM and ANNE ROE

R.R. No. 3, WALLENSTEIN, Ontario

N0B 2S0 Tel. 519-698-2278

17 GLENALBY FARMS

W of Toronto 85 Miles/E of Stratford 10 Miles

A AC/3 LG 1 SGL/RATES ON REQUEST

We welcome you to see farm life in action on our 1861 dairy homestead, secluded in hills and woods. You awaken to songs of birds, and the aroma of home-made bread, bacon and eggs drift on the fresh morning air. Relax amid the peace and quiet of shaded lawns and colourful flower gardens. Hike the woodland trails with our Lassie Collies as guides or roam the nearby quaint countryside of the horse and buggy Mennonites, their farmers markets and antique auctions. We're 10 minutes to Shakespeare festival. Our 5 friendly girls will teach

you to milk a cow. See a baby calf born, bottle feed and name it. Join us for fun-filled hayrides, cozy campfires and corn roasts under the stars. Telephone enquiries preferred.

Please Contact:

ALEX and RUBY McMILLAN

R.R. No. 1, NEW HAMBURG, Ontario

N0B 2G0 Tel. 519-625-8353

18 REST HAVEN FARM

E of London 20 Miles/S of St. Marys 7 Miles

A/4 DBL \$135

The home of 'The Circle K Barn Dance'. Dancing every Saturday night to top country bands. Guests admitted free. Relax in our spacious new home, swim in our indoor pool or relax in front of our stone fireplace. Watch birds from our verandah or fish for trout in our spring creek. Play pool, horsehoes or croquet. In 1980 we are hosting an antique show and sale, July 4 and 5, also are close to the International Plowing Match. Snowmobiling in the winter and skiing at Ski Hi. We specialize in the best of home cooking. Will meet guests — write for brochure.

Please Contact:

BURNS and CONNIE KITTMER

R.R. No. 2, LAKESIDE, Ontario

N0M 2G0 Tel. 519-349-2678

19 BROOK 'N' HILL FARM

N of London 10 Miles/S of Lucan 6 Miles

A AC/1 DBL 1 SGL A\$110 C\$75

Come for a holiday to our 100 acre dairy farm. Relax on shaded lawns or observe farm activities. Children enjoy farm animals, paddling in spring fed creek, or exploring its banks. Large fenced inground pool. Near antique shops, Pioneer Museum and Indian Village, Shakespearean Festival, Story-Book Gardens, skating, tennis, golf, fishing. Bring your instrument and join in the music around our piano. Wholesome meals, specializing in farm grown produce. We prefer to host one family at a time. Children may sleep in farm home or loft of summer house. Girl 20, Boy 15.

Please Contact:

RON and ANNE WHITE

R.R. No. 4, DENFIELD, Ontario

N0M 1P0 Tel. 519-666-1797

20 MAAIKES' HOMESTEAD

W of St. Catherines 11 Miles/E of Beamsville 2 Miles

A AC-2 SGL 1 DBL A\$105 C\$65

Dutch hospitality awaits you in the middle of the Niagara Peninsula area. Good home cooking, around our big dining room table, will satisfy you. A walk down the lane to the 'back 40' through our vineyards allows you to see Lake Ontario or a beautiful view of the Escarpment. Enjoy a peaceful picnic in our meadow. July is a must if cherry pie is your favourite, however, plums and pears are abundant in August and preserves

are served anytime. A few minutes from Ball Falls Conservation area, Tivoli Miniature World, 20 miles from Niagara Falls, Queenston Heights and Marineland. Antiques, auctions, swimming, tennis and hay rides available nearby. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Bruce Trail for hiking. Come to the "Banana Belt" this year.

Please Contact:

MAAIKE DYKSTRA

R.R. No. 1, BEAMSVILLE, Ontario

L0R 1B0 Tel. 416-563-4335

21 BRENDOR COUNTRY RETREAT

W of Toronto 40 Miles/N of Acton 6 Miles

A AC 1 SGL-2 DBL A\$125 C\$90

Relax on the spacious sundeck or stroll through 50 acres of rolling hills, enjoying nature in all its beauty.

Country-style meals are served in our bright dining room, featuring garden fresh vegetables, home-made baking and newly-laid eggs. Our ranch style home (no stairs to climb) sits high on a hill overlooking the pond and miles of countryside. We are just a few miles from the famous Bruce Trail, shopping towns and other attractions. Along with our teenage family and pets, we invite you to visit our farm for a relaxing holiday where there is an abundance of fresh air, peacefulness and hospitality. Abstaining family.

Please Contact:

CHARLES and DORIS BURT

R.R. No. 2, ACTON, Ontario

L7J 2L8 Tel. 519-853-2489

22 UNDERWOOD FARMS

W of Owen Sound 25 Miles/E of Port Elgin 7 Miles

A AC/2 DBL 1 SGL Century stone home \$145 weekly per family

Our 600 acre mixed farm includes dairy, beef, swine and pleasure horses. See the cows being milked, beef and swine feeding and harvesting of crops. Spend time with our registered Arabian pleasure horses. Trail and buggy rides and riding lessons in a training ring and exercise paddock are available. Your private century stone home has $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. thick walls, 2 large bedrooms, 4 piece bathroom, large kitchen and living room. It has been recently renovated and is fully furnished including TV, linen, dishes and cutlery. Combine your relaxing farm holiday with the famous beaches of Port Elgin or fishing and swimming at nearby Arran Lake. For winter guests, we are located on the groomed trails of the Bruce Peninsula Snowmobile Association and cross country skiing is another attraction. Everyone welcome.

Please Contact:

SHIRLEY and KEN UNDERWOOD

R.R. No. 2, PORT ELGIN, Ontario

N0H 2C0 Tel. 519-832-9600



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